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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 09/891,010
Applicants : John J. Giobbi
Filed : Larry J. Pacey
Title : June 25, 2001
System And Method For Saving Status
Of Paused Game Of Chance
TC/A.U. : 3713
Examiner : Yveste G. Cherubin
Docket No. : 47079-00046USP2
Customer No. : 30223

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action dated December 16, 2003. The shortened statutory period for response is three months from the mailing date, i.e., by March 16, 2004. A Petition for a one (1) month extension of time is submitted herewith, extending the time period for response to April 16, 2004. Please enter the following remarks into the record for this application.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.